

**REMARKS**

The Notice of Allowance issued in the instant application was noted with appreciation. Unfortunately, applicants recently became aware of publications that should be considered by the Office and are thus submitting this request for continued examination together with a petition to withdrawn the instant application from issuance.

The claims are to be amended as previously set forth. Claim 73 is to be canceled. All amendments and the claim cancellation are made without prejudice or disclaimer. It is respectfully submitted that no new matter has been added by the amendments.

Basis for the less than 58 kilodaltons aspect of the amendments to claim 17, 31, and 72 can be found in claims 56-58 of the application.

Basis for the amendment that the immunoregulator is not chorionic gonadotropin can be found at, for instance, page 43 lines 18 to 20 of the application as-filed.

Basis for the "peptide" and "non-carbohydrate" amendments to the claims is found at pages 39, line 24 through page 40, line 2; page 54, lines 23-29; page 59, lines 27-31, and page 69, lines 25-31 of the application as-filed.

**Conclusion**

In view of the foregoing, the application should be in condition for allowance. If questions should exist after consideration of the foregoing, the Office is kindly requested to contact applicants' undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Allen C. Turner", with a stylized flourish at the end.

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